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- 11. (C) PolOff delivered reftel demarche to Ambassador Chike Anigbo at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on November 6, 12006. He called the resolution "routine," and he did not commit the GON to a position on the issue. He promised to pass reftel talking points on to the Minister.
- 12. (C) Ambassador Anigbo was formerly director of the First U.N. Division at MFA. On September 7, he moved to the Office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs. He does not have a defined title or position, but appears to be in a senior gatekeeper role. He was cordial and happy to receive PolOff. While he seems unwilling to commit to positions on his own without consulting the Minister, he seems generally well disposed to the United States. He was previously Nigeria's Ambassador to Singapore and to Trinidad and Tobago. CAMPBELL